

Assembly

Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Tourism

Assembly Bill 385

Relating to: changes to the local room tax.

By Representatives Bies, Ballweg, Brooks, Clark, Genrich, Kleefisch, Mursau, Murtha, A. Ott, Petersen, Swearingen and Thiesfeldt; cosponsored by Senators Olsen, Cowles, Gudex, Hansen, Harsdorf, Lasee, Lehman and Tiffany.

September 23, 2013 Referred to Committee on Tourism

October 02, 2013 **Public Hearing Held**

Present: (14) Representative Kaufert; Representatives Bies, Czaja, Kleefisch, Born, A. Ott, Swearingen, Ballweg, Billings, Hulsey, Doyle, Hebl, Ohnstad and Hesselbein.
Absent: (0) None.
Excused: (1) Representative Endsley.

Appearances For

- Garey Bies - Rep. - State Representative - 1st Assembly District
- Amy Harriman - On Behalf of Senator Luther Olsen; 14th Senate District
- Trisha Pugal - Wisconsin Hotel & Lodging Association
- Lola Roeh - The Osthoff Resort
- Pam Seidl - WI Association of Convention & Visitors Bureaus/Fox Cities Convention & Visitors Bureau
- Bob Dove - Bridgewood Resort & Hotel
- Connie Barbian - IDM Group, LLC
- Buck Drossart - The Pointe Hotel & Suites
- Kim Battus - Minocqua Chamber of Commerce
- Greg Swanberg - Wisconsin Restaurant Association
- Thomas Price - AmericInn
- Philip Fritsche - Beaver Dam Chamber of Commerce
- Julia Hertel - Wisconsin Association of Convention & Visitors Bureaus
- Dave Clements - LaCrosse Area Convention & Visitors Bureau
- John Chastan - Kalahari Resort
- Terri Schulz - Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce
- Kevin Gallagher - Marcus Hotels & Resorts

Appearances Against

- Curt Witynski - League of Wisconsin Municipalities
- Kathy Ehley - Mayor; City of Wauwatosa
- Dennis Jordan - City of Lake Geneva
- Steven Ponto - Mayor; City of Brookfield
- Dan Ertl - City of Brookfield
- Rick Czopp - Town of Brookfield
- Keith Henderson - Town of Brookfield
- Larry MacDonald - Mayor; City of Bayfield
- Danielle Maxwell-Parker - Village of Turtle Lake
- Mike Vandersteen - Mayor; City of Sheboygan
- Mark Clear
- Nick Zavos - City of Madison

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- Frank Lasee - Senator - State Senator; 1st Senate District
- Kathi Kilgore - Outdoor Advertising Association of Wisconsin
- Chet Gerlach - Association of Wisconsin Tourism Attractions
- Randy Harden - President - Wisconsin ATV Association
- Kim Heinemann - Hudson Area Chamber of Commerce & Tourism Bureau
- Jason Havey - Hilton of Madison
- Lisa Watts - Sheraton Madison
- Tom Hyslop - Lake Lawn Resort
- Stephanie Bracken - The North Central Group - owner/operator of 11 hotels in Wisconsin
- Justin Vermuth - American Resort Development Association
- Jeff Anderson - Waupaca Area Chamber of Commerce
- Pat Osborne - Wisconsin Association of Convention & Visitors Bureaus
- Verne Shea - Beaver Dam AmericInn
- Emma Dittmann - AmericInn
- Cheryl Price - AmericInn
- Pam Sanderson - Holiday Inn West
- Tammie Carsdenson - Harbor Shores on Lake Geneva

Registrations Against

- Jason Johns - Urban Alliance of Cities

- Forbes McIntosh - Dane County Cities & Villages Association

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

April 08, 2014

Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1

Adam Field
Committee Clerk